

AUG. 23, 1966

DEAR MR. OFFICER

- POLICE - STATION -
DALLAS, TEXAS.

PLEASE LET ANDREW

BY-LA YING
LETTER (FROM "FRIEND"
OF ALLEN TIPPIT
THE NEW FATHER -
LESS BOY)

UNTO

MISS MARY
TIPPIT.

- TRAN K: ST NICK
GIVE UNTO THY
TRULY GOD - TRUSTING
WOMAN
VERY COMFORT
AND STRENGTH.

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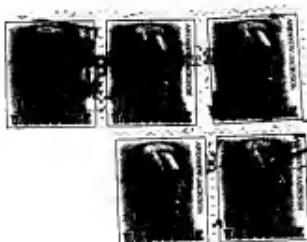
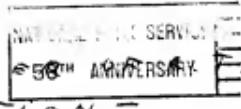
A SERVANT OF
OUR LORD AND
SOD,

FRIENDLY

Yours

WALTER
H. KOEHL.

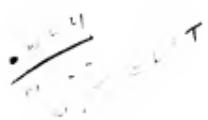
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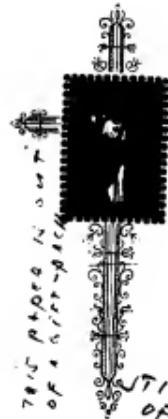


TEXAS

H. H. KOEHL,
WASHINGTON,
D. C.







P. L. N. 24 RO 17322

"BE ANXIOUS OUR LORD IS FIGHTING,
"BE NOT AFRAID; OUR LORD IS WITH
"US (RIGHT HERE) & YOU..."

"MY DEAR SISTER MARY:

FOR A SPECIFIC VERY SERVICE
DONE I GOT PROMISE TO COME
HERE; BY YOUR MISTAKE I HAD
... TO STAY, TRESPASSED VISITOR-
SHIP; I GOT CHOICE, TO STAY
HERE (OR IN JAIL) FOR IT:

"TILL HE CLAIM THE GIVEN PROMISE
OF GOD, - PEOPLE BEFORE OUR LORD,
NOT TO MENTION #RE)

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WE HAVE NO DOUBT, HAVE BEEN UN-
PUNISHED EVER;

LOVING ONLY TO SCOUR OUT
LORD + HIS SON (YES, +
OUR NEIGHBOUR), THAT IS
RISKS YOU HERE
(+ THE DEAR CHILDREN^{XX}).

IF THEY^{XX} HAVE MORE PAIN,
IN SCHOOL, THEY COULD HAVE
PRIVATE LESSONS,
NEW HOME IN A SAFE +
SURROUNDING,
+ PROBABLY NEW NAME.

1 JOSEPH GREAT SAW THE TRUTH
UNTO US TOO SPARKS OUR DEAR
LORD SAW-THREE (NIGHTLY TOO).

I WOULD SAW IN HIS MOST HOLY
NAME; YOU NEED A TRUSTY FRIEND
NEAR YOU.. (+ I COULD GIVE
LAW-PLACE, BLESSED +
PRAYED - GIVEN YOU UNTO HIM,
OUR BELOVED ONE) AS BROTHER
(FRIEND) IN HIS FAITH (AND AS
YOU MY DEAR LORD HILL
LEAD IT, OPEN).

642, MY DEAR SISTER -

HEART:

".. I did not speak about it
HATE FLESH AND BLOOD, BUT
RUN TO OUR LORD TO WHO WE
DO TO: DEAR, MY SISTER MARY
IN THE LORD'S NAME;
HAVE COURAGE, PRAY IT OVER,
AND DO, IS OUR BELOVED LORD
GIVES IT UNTO YOU TO DO;
AND PRAY FOR ME 24 YOUR PRAYED -
AND YOUR BROTHER

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MY DEAR SISTER MARY IN OUR LORD
AND SAVIOUR:

YOUR DEAR TESTIMONY (IN "GOOD HOUSE-
KEEPING"-REPORT) DID ME WELL: "AS FOR
NOT OVER-DOING--" AND "SO I KEEP MY
CHILDREN--" (ONLY: DO NOT HAVE THE
WORD PRIDE). "PRAISE OUR DEAR LORD!"
(I ENJOYED THE TALE OF YOUR CLOTH AND
SHOES, AND MORE.)

YOU CAN HAVE A TRUE MAN (OF GOD)
AROUND YOU--, KEEPING HOUSE AND YARD
IN SHAPE (AND HE COULD PROBABLY TAKE
CHARGE OF .. RENT-APARTMENT-HOUSE
ONLY ASKED, WOULD BE A HOME, CARES
IN PEACE FOR BY YOU: YOUR HUSBAND,
MILK, HOW TO BE RECEIVED THAN R-
/ ELLAY: AND THERE COULD AND SHOULD
BE: PRAYER + H.S.-READING + TALK +
PRAISE AROUND THE DAY (CHILDREN^{*}
INCLUDED):

/ TAKE YOUR DEAR HEART, AND SET
QUESTIONS.. (FOR YOUR COMFORT).

I AM A REFUGEE, GERMAN, AMERICAN
(FROM FRANCE) SPEAKING, 57 YEARS

OF AGE; LEARNED BANK-MAN, KNOW TRADE-
+ PAINT-WORK, MERCHANTISING;

I STAY IN HIS WORD +
SUFFERED FOR IT: "PRAISE GOD!"

I UNDERSTAND YOU.. SO WELL:

I TRAVELED THROUGH MOST OF THE
STAFER AREAS, SOON EVERY EVE TERRI-
FYING: "OUR LORD COME SOON,
WHAT SHALL I DO, TO BE READY?"

I HAD APPLICATION PAPER FOR REVIGORANCE,
SHIP HERE RUNNING: I AM UNARMED,
EXERCISE DAILY IN FRESH AIR, TO STAY
FIT: BE NOT AFRAID: "BE QUIET,
OUR LORD IS FIGHTING": ALL WILL
COME OUT WELL IN HIS GRACE;

I ONLY PRAY IT OVER + THAN OPEN
IN PEACE THE INCLOVED: "OUR LORD
CARE FOR US ACC. TO HIS WORD OF
PRAISE" + THEN "GLORY VERY TO HIM!"

I TRUST IN OUR LORD'S NAME:

YOU, DEAR SISTER MARY, WILL DO THE
RIGHT THING (UNTO ME TOO):

1. AS IN CASE OF A MODERN WAR IN
BIG PLACES VERY DAMAGE COULD NOT
BE BY INSURANCE PAID BACK, I RECOM-
MEND UNTO YOU, TO TAKE HEAL ^{XXX} LOVING,
TO SAVE INTACT YOUR THINGS;

I WILL NOT TAKE LOT OF IT: YOU MAY
KEEP ME AS YOU SEE FIT;
ONLY PREPARE THAT SO, LEAVE THIS
~~WORLD~~ TO HAVE YOU USED UP YOUR
PART FIRST FOR THE PRACTIC GOSPEL;
(THE DEAR CHILDREN MAY LATER DECIDE
THEMSELVES FOR THEIR OWN PART):

NOW: WE TRANSLATED NEW

N. T. + PRACTIC (IN GERMAN)
HITS (PARTY IS OVER)
SPORT, NEW-EST POWERFUL
WORLD (IN VERY NEED FOR GERMAN
SPEAKING PEOPLE IN THE WORLD),
4000 EDITION WAS SOLD OUT
BY OUR DEPARTING UNTO HERE (1963).
OUR 4500 AT THERE - IN LONG FOR A EDITION
(SOLD BY SELF-COMTS). - DO YOU SEE, DEAR?

assassination

April 14, 1966
A3

Mr. Hugh Stack
3817 - 39th Avenue North
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Stack:

Since Chief J. E. Curry is no longer with the Dallas Police Department, it is not possible for us to comply with your request of April 6, 1966.

I am enclosing a copy of the Dallas Police News, a Departmental newspaper, in which there is a picture of Chief Curry and an article concerning his retirement.

Very truly yours,

Chas. Batchelor
Chief of Police

BB:PA

Enclosure - 1

7417 9th Ave. N.
St. Petersburg, Fla.
April 6, 1966

Dear Chief Connally -

I have a rather unusual hobby - I collect letters, pictures, etc., relating to the late President Kennedy. Because of the important role you held in the aftermath of the assassination, I would appreciate it very much if I could have an autographed picture of yourself to add to my collection.

You might be interested to learn that I sent a similar request to Governor Connally and received just such a picture.

Thank you -

Sincerely,
Hugh Stach

March 9, 1966

AJ

Mr. Harry L. Burnett
2508 Craft Street
Terre Haute, Indiana

Dear Mr. Burnett:

I regret that I am unable to furnish the information you requested in your letter of March 3, 1966.

A complete report on the assassination of President Kennedy has been made by the Warren Commission and is available to the general public. For information on how to obtain a copy of the report, I suggest that you contact the United States Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C.

I hope this information will be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

Chas. Batchelor
Chief of Police (Acting)

CB:PA

Taylor County, Ind
March 3, 1966

Dear Sirs'

I am a Veteran of World War I,
Age 77, just Service connected
Disability.

I am much interested in "American History" and I am putting together a large album of "American History". I have many interesting letters and autographed photos from many in reference to the "Abolition of slavery".

Kennedy vs. Alpizar

I have a most interesting
letter and peculiarly anticipated
this from Judge Sarah T.
Hopper, which I cherish.

I have a very valuable
letter and photograph of a
"M. Cray" from "Hannalee"

John Lynnelly which I
cherish much.
Would you be kind
enough to give me letter
pertaining to what happened
to Oswald etc.
I assure you I would
cherish much anything
from you if you do care
to answer me.

Please let me humbly
Thank you for they're many
kindly

Harry L. Burnett

Harry L. Burnett
2503 Craft Street
Terre Haute, Indiana

assassination

October 8, 1965
A3

Mr. Gary W. Bailey
Box 795
Anthony, Texas

Dear Mr. Bailey:

I regret to inform you that I am unable to furnish the information you requested.

A complete report on the assassination of President Kennedy has been made by the Warren Commission and is available to the general public. For information on how to obtain a copy of the report, I suggest that you contact the United States Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C.

I hope that this information will be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Curry
Chief of Police

Charles Batchelor
Assistant Chief

CB:PA

Gary W. Bailey
Box 795
Anthony, Texas

Dallas Police Department
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sirs,

Will you please send me some information on the
assassination of the Late President Kennedy for a report
in school.

Thank you

Sincerely yours,
Gary Bailey
Gary Bailey

assassination

December 8, 1965

A3

Mr. Damon Gates
702 South 46th Street
Lawton, Oklahoma 73501

Dear Mr. Gates:

I regret that I am unable to assist you concerning photographs dealing with the assassination of President Kennedy. The criminal action resulting from the assassination is still pending in the Appeals Court. As a result of this action, we are unable to release any information concerning the assassination of President Kennedy.

The Warren Report is available and should be of interest to you in the information you requested.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

JEC:PA

December 2, 1965

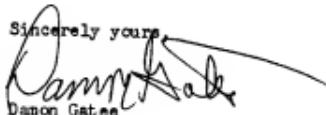
Gentlemen:

I am a freshman at Cameron State Agricultural College and will soon have a term paper due. You say, "How can we help?" My paper is concerned with the assassination of John Fitzgerald Kennedy and his assassin.

I have followed the assassination since the beginning, and have read almost everything concerned with it. This will help tremendously. But, I have one small problem: I would like to have some illustrations or photographs, but do not have access to any. Could you help me in any way?

If you could send me any illustrations or photographs dealing with the assassination, I would greatly appreciate it

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Damon Gates". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the "s" in "Damon".

Damon Gates

January 17, 1966

A3

Mr. Armando Ybarra
500 Bastrop Highway
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Ybarra:

I regret that we are unable to furnish the items you requested in your letter of January 11, 1966, concerning the assassination of President Kennedy.

The study conducted by the Warren Commission included most, if not all of the material you mentioned in your letter. The Warren Commission Report is available to the public and may be obtained by contacting the United States Government Printing Office.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Curry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA

Armando Ybarra
500 East 7th H. w. y.
Austin, Texas
January 16, 1966

State Police
Police Station
Dallas Texas

Dear Sir:

Our El Valle school is having a
sponsor show on Friday the twenty-first of
January Sixty-six. This will be held at our Auditorium
at nine in the morning.

I would like to know if you please
could send me some pictures or script of the the
late president Kennedy for that date.

Sincerely yours,
Armando Ybarra

Assassination

October 6, 1965

A3

Mr. Hugh Stack
7417 - 9th Avenue North
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Stack:

I regret that we are unable to furnish the items you requested in your letter of September 26, 1965.

The study conducted by the Warren Commission included most, if not all of the material you mentioned in your letter. The Warren Commission Report is available to the public and may be obtained by contacting the United States Government Printing Office.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Charles Batchelor
Assistant Chief

CB:PA

7417 9th Avenue N.
St. Petersburg, Fla.
Sept. 26, 1965

Dear Chief Curry -

I have a rather unusual collection of articles relating to the late President Kennedy. It includes pictures, books, magazines, statements, etc. I would very like to add some things to it from your department.

Could you possibly send me the following -

An autographed picture of yourself to add to my others -
A copy of the evidence report which enabled you to officially charge Oswald with the two murders.

Copies of your "mem" about of Oswald and Jackie Ruby.
Please do not consider me too demanding - I am just trying to add to my collection. I appreciate it very much, and even if what I ask cannot be done, I thank you just the same.

Sincerely -

Hugh Stuck

(Age 15)

P. S. - One more thing, please - could you send me a picture of the officer who arrested Oswald, and of J. D. Tippit? Thank you again.

May 24, 1965

A3

Mr. Robert Clark
641 Alameda
Redwood City, California 94061

Dear Mr. Clark:

All of the information concerning the circumstances surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy known to members of the Dallas Police Department has been given to the Warren Commission and has been publicly reported by that organization.

I regret that we are not able to furnish information beyond that available to you from the Warren Commission Report.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA

Robert Clark
641 Alameda
Redwood City, Calif.
94061

Dear Sir,

At the present time, I am compiling a book on the assassination of the late President, John F. Kennedy. Extremely short of information, I look to you in hope that you might be able to supply me with a means of getting in touch with those who were witnesses at the assassination scene, and those who witnessed Officer Tippett's murder, and those who where witness to the capture of Lee Harvey Oswald. If and when my book gets published, I guarantee you and the entirety of your department full recognition.

Respectively,

R. Clark

Robert Clark

May 25, 1965

Mr. F. R. Gyger
P. O. Box 828
Manitou Springs, Colorado

Dear Mr. Gyger:

I regret that I am not able to furnish the photograph you requested in your letter of May 24, 1965.

All of the material we had associated with the assassination was delivered to the Warren Commission. I believe the photograph about which you inquired was included in the Warren Report.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Curry
Chief of Police

JHC:PA

May 24-1965

His Honor
Chief of Police,
City of Dallas:

Dear Sir:-

For historical reason and
purpose - may I ask for a
photograph of the rifle that
was used to shoot President
Kennedy - as it lay on the floor
of the Depository Building - in
Dallas on November 22-1963 -
taken about 1:22 p.m. - photograph
made by Captain Fritz and Lieut.
Day.

Advise last and will
mail check.

Thanks for your kindness
Yours truly.

P. R. Geiger
P.O. Box 826
Manitou Springs,
Colorado.

April 8, 1963

A3

Mr. Rick Glover
843 Sixth Street
Las Animas, Colorado

Dear Mr. Glover:

All of the information concerning the circumstances surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy known to members of the Dallas Police Department has been given to the Warren Commission and had been publicly reported by that organization.

I regret that we are not able to furnish information beyond that available to you from the Warren Commission Report.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

JEC:PA

Rick Glover
843 6th.st.
Las Animas,
Colorado
Dallas police Dept.

Dallas,Texas

Sirs,

I'am giving a report in Independant
Study on Kennedy's assisnations.I would
like to know where,when,how,Et Cetra.

All imformation willbe appreciated.

yours truly,

Rick Glover
Rick Glover

February 10, 1963

A3

Mr. V. A. Stenberg
Encyclopaedia Britannica
423 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago 11, Illinois

Dear Mr. Stenberg:

All of the information concerning the circumstances surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy known to members of the Dallas Police Department has been given to the Warren Commission and has been publicly reported by that organization.

I regret that we are not able to furnish information beyond that available to you from the Warren Commission Report.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA



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February 5, 1965

Department of Public Information
Police Department
City of Dallas
Dallas, Texas

Gentlemen:

I wonder if you would have some information to assist one of our subscribers interested in further details on the assassination of President Kennedy.

He is particularly interested in a Mr. H. L. Brennan, an eye witness to the assassination, and would like to know whether the Dallas Police or the F. B. I. brought Mr. Brennan to the jail to identify Lee Harvey Oswald as the man in the window.

Any data which you could furnish on this topic would indeed be appreciated, and I would like to thank you for your time and trouble.

Yours sincerely,

V. A. Stenberg
Director of Research

VS:G

assassination

December 11, 1964

A3

Mr. Wim Reijns
Waranneelaan 5
Oosterhout (n.b.)
The Netherlands

Dear Mr. Reijns:

Most of the questions contained in your letter of December 9, 1964, are answered by the Warren Commission Report which is a very exhaustive study of the circumstances surrounding the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

I suggest that you obtain a copy of the Warren Commission Report to satisfy your questions regarding the incident.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

JNC:PA

Wim Regs
WARANDELAMS
Oosterhout (n.b.)
The Netherlands

WARANDELAMS
Oosterhout n.b.
The Netherlands

9 December 1964

Dear Sir.

After the terrible death of our president John F. Kennedy I began collecting articles, photographs and so on, about his life his family and the assassination.

I loved president Kennedy very much at first I could not believe the news from Dallas. Many people said it was the work of the F.B.I. the police of Dallas and so on. but that is not the truth. How could somebody prevent a assassinator??

Excuse me I did not tell you who I am. I am Wim Regs. I am about 18 years old. I am on a seminary of the fathers Capucins at Oosterhout

Dear Sir. may I kindly ask you a favour? How many policemen were in action after the death of J.F. Kennedy

How could the police allow that so many people were at the place where Oswald was brought into a police car?

How many times was Oswald questioned?
Have you got for me a police register about
Oswald? or other things about him? and a
photograph of the price list with the gun
with which Oswald Kennedy killed?

Dear Sir I hope you would be so kind to help
me to make a beautiful collection about
our late John F. Kennedy.

Could you ask the man who headed the
interrogation of Oswald and soon to give me
his signature?

Dear Sir, I thank you for it
very, very much in anticipation

I am yours faithfully

your friend

Wm Regs.

Assassination

December 17, 1964
A3

Mr. John Liedtke
2339 North Sayre Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60654

Dear Mr. Liedtke:

The quotation about which you inquired in your letter of December 11, 1964, is on a memorial placed in the Trade Mart where President John F. Kennedy was scheduled to speak on the day of his assassination.

The inscription reads, "When thou seest an eagle, thou seest a portion of genius. Lift up thy head."

The only other writing on the memorial plaque is, "Placed in memorial by the friends of John F. Kennedy who awaited his arrival at the Trade Mart November 22, 1963."

Very truly yours,

J. B. Cherry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA

Dec. 11, 1964
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Would you please do us a big favor and copy the words on the JFK monument in Dallas and send it to us. "If thou seest an eagle"

Enclosed is a stamped envelop.

Gratefully yours,

John Liedtke

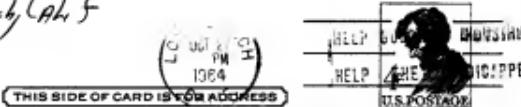
"When thou seest an eagle thou
seest a portion of genius. Lift
up thy head"

Placed

Placed in memorial by the friends of John F. Kennedy who awarded this
award at the trade mart November 22, 1963

3111-8-3-6522
Molong Boree, (861 f.)
C. O. D. thank you
for your show and tell
I hardly say sorry
Please send me a copy of
the new
Linen

3118 E-65
No Long Beach, Calif
90805



Police Dept.
Dallas



On Assassination

November 2, 1964
A3

Mr. David J. Campbell
3118 East 65th Street
North Long Beach, California

Dear Mr. Campbell:

The Dallas Police Department has not published a report concerning the assassination of the late President John F. Kennedy.

The Warren Commission has published a very complete report covering all facets of the assassination and I am sure you should be able to find any information you need from this report.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Curry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA

October 8, 1964

A3

Mr. Kenneth A. Husted, Jr.
P. O. Box 1303
Cocoa Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Husted:

I regret that I am not able to answer the questions contained in your letter of September 30, 1964.

A very extensive investigation into the circumstances surrounding the assassination was made by the Warren Commission and the findings of the commission have been published.

We have received so many inquiries concerning the assassination that answering them would constitute a very serious drain on our Department's manpower.

I am grateful to you for your support of the City of Dallas.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Curry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA

20th Sept. 64
Kenneth A. Husted, Jr.
P.O. Box 1293
Cocoa Beach, Fla.

Chief of Police
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sirs:

Though I am only a citizen of the U.S. and an honorary Texan - I feel that we should all assist in lifting some of the stigma placed on Dallas because of the Presidents assassination. It can not be changed that it took place, but perhaps if your dept. could come up with some information not included in the Warren Report - it may replace some additional confidence in the Dallas Police dept. -

I noticed two things that may place you on a new tact toward getting all the information in the killing. I'm satisfied he did it - but not the conclusions reached as to why! -

Question no 1 -

Why did the Warren Comm. -
use this conclusion -
"The Warren Comm. found that on
April 10, 1962, the (Oswald) attempted
to kill Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker -
using a rifle which he had obtained
on some earlier date an assumed
name."

Question: - 1) Did he try to kill Walker?
(if not the conclusion is
wrong).

2. Where is the bullet that
was fired at Walker -
A stationary target!
3. Does this bullet (Walker)
fire from the rifle that
killed the President?
(if so why wasn't this
stated!)?
4. Has anyone tried to tie
the bullet, Gun - Oswald -
together for the attempt
on Walker? - if not why
not.

Question -

Why the "silence" on
oswalds trip to Mexico - what
happened there - why did he
stop in Alice Texas (over night)
in San Wells Co. -- (check
the author of "A Texas Look at
Lyndon" - Tell these two up -
and you may have a different
story of why, now - and by
when (motivation wise) — as
to the Presidents killing -

Please answer and tell me
the answer to these questions -

All interested citizens
for fair play for Dallas -

Kenneth G. Hunter, Jr.

Re: Los Angeles
September 2, 1964
A3

Mr. Jeff Myrow
Weiper Productions Inc.
8720 Sunset Boulevard
Los Angeles 69, California

Dear Mr. Myrow:

The following information is submitted in answer to your letter of August 27, 1964. For your convenience the answers are listed in the order your questions were asked.

1. The rifle was found in the School Book Depository at 1:25 p.m.
2. The rifle was found on the Sixth Floor near the stairway landing.
3. Only one suspect was questioned by the Homicide and Robbery Bureau - there were many witnesses interrogated.

I hope this information is helpful to you.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Curry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA



WOLPER PRODUCTIONS INC.

27 August 1964

Captain Glen King
City of Dallas
Police Department
Dallas, Texas

Dear Captain King:

In compliance with your suggestion, I would like to submit the following for corroboration or correction:

1. Re. the time the Oswald rifle was found at the Depository, we have conflicting information: 12:36 PM, or 1:22 PM. Which, if either, is correct? *12:50 PM*
2. The rifle was reported found near the 5th floor landing. Is this correct? If not, was it found on the sixth floor, opposite and away from the window as some reports indicate? *6th floor*
3. How many suspects, other than Lee Harvey Oswald, were picked up in connection with President Kennedy's assassination (if any)? How many informational witnesses? *only one*

I am enclosing an air mail special delivery return envelope, and would greatly appreciate your immediate attention. Please understand our basic requirement in FOUR DAYS IN NOVEMBER is complete accuracy in every detail -- from the source wherever possible.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

WOLPER PRODUCTIONS INC.

Jeff Myrow
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Concordance
September 1, 1964
A3

Mr. Rodney Long
Box 731
Monahans, Texas

Dear Mr. Long:

I appreciate the comments regarding police officers you made in your letter of August 29, 1964. I am happy that you look upon policemen as your friends.

I regret that I am not able to answer the questions contained in your letter. The Warren Commission is expected to make its report in the near future and will, I am sure, answer the questions you have.

It has been indicated to the Dallas Police Department that the Warren Commission would prefer that we not comment on the assassination until its report is completed.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA

To: Jesse Curry
Chief of Police
Dallas Police Dept.
Dallas, Texas
August 29, 1964

Dear Mr. Curry,

Several months ago the President of our great Republic was killed in the city of Dallas, as I need not remind you. I am thankful to God that we still have in our Land men like Officer Tippit, who are willing to sacrifice their lives in the call of duty. You policemen are called "cops", "fuzz", and other derogatory names, and are held up to ridicule while you risk your very lives to protect the same people who call you these names. I am a teen-ager, a Texan, and I am proud to be one. If there's anything I want you to understand it's this: I respect the police and realize they are my friends.

Now to get to the point of my letter: since that infamous character, Lee Harvey Oswald, was in custody of the Dallas Police, and therefore you, Mr. Curry, were around him, I would greatly appreciate it if you would answer a few questions.

- (1) Did Mr. Jack Ruby hang around the station for a few hours before shooting Oswald/
- (2) Did Oswald show signs of "breaking" or "talking" and telling the whole story of the assassination before he was shot/
- (3) Did Oswald brag to you about being a Communist/
- (4) At the time of Oswald's capture was he going in the direction of Jack Ruby's apartment/.
- (5) Were there reports of Oswald and Ruby being seen together/ and were these reports backed up by facts, as far as you know/
- (6) In your opinion was there any connection between Oswald and Ruby/ and in your opinion why did Oswald kill Kennedy/

Your answers will surely be appreciated and I hope you will reply to this letter. May God guide you.

For God and the Republic,

Rodney Long

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September 1, 1964
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Dr. Fred L. Casmir
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Dear Dr. Casmir:

I regret that I am not able to answer the questions contained in your letter of August 18, 1964.

Your questions call for expressions of opinion that I feel would be best left unstated.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Curry
Chief of Police

JBC:PA

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August 18, 1964

Mr. Jesse E. Curry
Chief of Police
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Curry:

By way of a brief introduction, permit me to state that my major academic interest lies in the area of mass communications, and a majority of my publications have dealt with various phases of this subject.

I would like to ask your help with our third television research project which is once more concerned with an aspect of the social impact of television, "The Mass Media and Mr. Oswald." Our study is not concerned with the guilt or innocence of the accused assassin of President Kennedy; instead, we would like to determine the reactions of American opinion and thought leaders to the way in which his case was presented to the American public by the radio and television media.

At no time in our history has there been a more thorough and able job of reporting done than in the case of this assassination. If radio and television can have such a profound influence on our lives, it would seem important to consider its responsibilities both to the public as a whole, and the individual citizen who may become a subject for scrutiny by these media.

We tried to avoid developing a questionnaire which would limit your expression of opinions on this vital subject, and have thus, reluctantly, chosen a format which has obvious weaknesses but which will permit you to discuss any or all of our questions in a fashion which appears adequate to you.

The enclosed envelope will permit you to mail the questionnaire back to my office, and I request return of the form even if for some reason you feel you will not be able to participate in our study. In any case, permit me to thank you for any help you may care to give us.

Sincerely yours,


Fred L. Casmir, Ph. D.
Associate Professor of Speech

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Enclosures

QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME _____ TITLE, POSITION _____

Note: Please, return at your earliest convenience. FEEL FREE TO REPLY IN AS DETAILED OR AS BRIEF A MANNER AS YOU SEE FIT. ANY SPECIFIC INSTANCES OR FACTS YOU MAY CARE TO CITE WILL BE ESPECIALLY HELPFUL.

A. Do you feel that the presentation of evidence for/against Lee Harvey Oswald on television and radio programs was in keeping with accepted legal procedures?

B. Do you feel that after the extensive coverage given to the assassination of President Kennedy by radio and television a "fair trial", as commonly defined under our present legal system, for Oswald would have been possible?

C. Do you feel that in the case of Oswald radio and television equipment and reporters interferred with the normal legal procedures involved in such a case?

D. In your opinion, is there any conflict apparent between the "right of the public to know" (that is, to be informed concerning news events) and the rights of the individual to due process of law, as far as the coverage of possible crimes by radio and television is concerned.

E. Do you feel that radio and television reporters or commentators prejudged Oswald as to his guilt or innocence, or that they presented a slanted impression in their reports?

F. Would you like a summary of this investigation?